

Saskatchewan Labour Force Statistics

November 2007

UNADJUSTED DATA

According to the Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey for the week ended November 10, 2007, there were 505,900 persons employed in Saskatchewan during November 2007, an increase of 1,400 from October 2007 and 8,000 more than the number employed in November 2006.

Agricultural employment was 41,700 persons in November 2007, down 1,300 from the October 2007 level and 2,900 less than the November 2006 agricultural employment level of 44,600. Non-agricultural employment was 464,200 persons in November 2007. This is an increase of 2,700 from the October 2007 non-agriculture employment level of 461,500 and 10,900 more than November 2006.

The Saskatchewan unemployment rate for November 2007 was 3.7 percent. This is an increase of 0.0 percentage points from the October 2007 rate of 3.7 percent but 0.2 percentage points higher than the November 2006 level of 0.2 percent.

Saskatchewan's labour force increased by 1,200 to 525,200 persons in November 2007 from 524,000 persons in October 2007. This is 8,900 more than the November 2006 labour force of 516,300 persons.

The Saskatchewan participation rate rose 0.0 percentage points to 69.4 percent in November 2007 from 69.4 percent in October 2007. The November 2006 participation rate for Saskatchewan was 69.2 percent.

There were 19,300 persons unemployed in Saskatchewan during November 2007. This is a decrease of 200 from October 2007 but is 1,000 more than the number unemployed in November 2006.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

On a seasonally adjusted basis there were 507,400 persons employed in Saskatchewan in November 2007, up 4,800 from the October 2007 level of 502,600 and is up 7,100 from the November 2006 employment level of 500,300 persons.

The Saskatchewan seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for November 2007 was 4.0 percent. This is a decrease of 0.3 percentage points from the October 2007 rate of percent and 0.1 percentage points higher than the November 2006 rate of 3.9 percent.

CANADIAN DATA

Canadian employment decreased by 42,000 persons in November 2007 to 17,009,900 persons from 17,051,900 persons in October 2007. In November 2006, there were 16,575,500 persons employed in Canada.

Canada's unemployment rate increased 0.3 percentage points to 5.6 percent from the October 2007 level of 5.3 percent. In November 2006, Canada's unemployment rate was 5.9 percent.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Canada was 5.9 percent in November 2007. This is 0.1 percentage points higher than October 2007 but 0.3 percentage points lower than the November 2006 level of 6.2 percent.

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TABLE 1

SUMMARY LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS, CANADA AND THE PRAIRIE PROVINCES

	November 2007	October 2007	November 2006	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
CANADA					
Labour Force ('000)	18,022.8	17,997.9	17,622.9	24.9	399.9
Employed ('000)	17,009.9	17,051.9	16,575.5	-42.0	434.4
Full-Time ('000)	13,772.8	13,880.2	13,453.7	-107.4	319.1
Part-Time ('000)	3,237.1	3,171.7	3,121.9	65.4	115.2
Unemployed ('000)	1,012.9	946.1	1,047.4	66.8	-34.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.6	5.3	5.9	0.3	-0.3
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	5.9	5.8	6.2	0.1	-0.3
Participation Rate (%)	67.5	67.5	66.9	0.0	0.6
SASKATCHEWAN					
Labour Force ('000)	525.2	524.0	516.3	1.2	8.9
Employed ('000)	505.9	504.5	497.9	1.4	8.0
Full-Time ('000)	407.9	414.9	400.6	-7.0	7.3
Part-Time ('000)	98.1	89.6	97.3	8.5	0.8
Unemployed ('000)	19.3	19.5	18.3	-0.2	1.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.7	3.7	3.5	0.0	0.2
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	4.0	4.3	3.9	-0.3	0.1
Participation Rate (%)	69.4	69.4	69.2	0.0	0.2
ALBERTA					
Labour Force ('000)	2,038.9	2,037.3	1,972.4	1.6	66.5
Employed ('000)	1,962.7	1,971.9	1,909.7	-9.2	53.0
Full-Time ('000)	1,644.5	1,643.6	1,600.6	0.9	43.9
Part-Time ('000)	318.3	328.3	309.1	-10.0	9.2
Unemployed ('000)	76.2	65.4	62.6	10.8	13.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.7	3.2	3.2	0.5	0.5
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	3.6	3.4	3.1	0.2	0.5
Participation Rate (%)	73.7	73.7	73.5	0.0	0.2
MANITOBA					
Labour Force ('000)	628.7	626.4	613.0	2.3	15.7
Employed ('000)	603.9	604.2	586.5	-0.3	17.4
Full-Time ('000)	486.0	486.8	468.9	-0.8	17.1
Part-Time ('000)	117.9	117.4	117.6	0.5	0.3
Unemployed ('000)	24.8	22.2	26.5	2.6	-1.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.9	3.5	4.3	0.4	-0.4
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	4.2	4.0	4.6	0.2	-0.4
Participation Rate (%)	69.7	69.5	68.6	0.2	1.1

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 2

SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

	November <u>2007</u>	October <u>2007</u>	November <u>2006</u>	Change from	
				<u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<u>LABOUR FORCE ('000)</u>	525.2	524.0	516.3	1.2	8.9
Male	283.2	284.6	274.9	-1.4	8.3
Female	242.0	239.4	241.3	2.6	0.7
15-24 Years of Age	95.9	95.0	95.7	0.9	0.2
25+ Years of age	429.4	429.0	420.6	0.4	8.8
<u>EMPLOYED ('000)</u>	505.9	504.5	497.9	1.4	8.0
Male	272.8	274.2	264.7	-1.4	8.1
Female	233.1	230.3	233.2	2.8	-0.1
15-24 Years of Age	88.3	87.6	89.7	0.7	-1.4
25+ Years of age	417.6	416.9	408.3	0.7	9.3
<u>UNEMPLOYED ('000)</u>	19.3	19.5	18.3	-0.2	1.0
Male	10.4	10.4	10.2	0.0	0.2
Female	8.9	9.0	8.1	-0.1	0.8
15-24 Years of Age	7.6	7.4	6.0	0.2	1.6
25+ Years of age	11.7	12.1	12.3	-0.4	-0.6
<u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u>	3.7	3.7	3.5	0.0	0.2
Male	3.7	3.7	3.7	0.0	0.0
Female	3.7	3.8	3.4	-0.1	0.3
15-24 Years of Age	7.9	7.8	6.3	0.1	1.6
25+ Years of age	2.7	2.8	2.9	-0.1	-0.2
<u>PARTICIPATION RATE (%)</u>	69.4	69.4	69.2	0.0	0.2
	75.8	76.4	74.7	-0.6	1.1
Female	63.1	62.6	63.8	0.5	-0.7
15-24 Years of Age	69.2	68.7	69.7	0.5	-0.5
25+ Years of age	69.5	69.6	69.1	-0.1	0.4

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TABLE 3

SASKATCHEWAN EMPLOYED LABOUR FORCE

	November <u>2007</u>	October <u>2007</u>	November <u>2006</u>	Change from <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<u>INDUSTRY ('000)</u>					
Agriculture	41.7	43.0	44.6	-1.3	-2.9
Forestry, Fishing, Mining and Oil & Gas	23.1	22.4	23.1	0.7	0.0
Utilities	5.0	4.9	4.1	0.1	0.9
Construction	33.7	36.3	29.7	-2.6	4.0
Manufacturing	31.5	30.0	28.6	1.5	2.9
Trade	80.3	81.0	83.0	-0.7	-2.7
Transportation and Warehousing	24.2	23.5	26.2	0.7	-2.0
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate & Leasing	28.4	27.7	26.3	0.7	2.1
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	21.7	21.7	20.6	0.0	1.1
Business, Building and Other Support Services	12.2	11.6	10.3	0.6	1.9
Educational Services	41.4	42.6	41.9	-1.2	-0.5
Health Care and Social Assistance	61.9	60.1	60.6	1.8	1.3
Information, Culture and Recreation	20.1	19.6	19.7	0.5	0.4
Accommodation and Food Services	31.6	30.7	31.7	0.9	-0.1
Other Services	21.4	21.6	20.3	-0.2	1.1
Public Administration	27.7	27.8	27.2	-0.1	0.5
Total	505.9	504.5	497.9	1.4	8.0
<u>HOURS OF WORK ('000)</u>					
Full-Time	407.9	414.9	400.6	-7.0	7.3
Part-Time	98.1	89.6	97.3	8.5	0.8
<u>CLASS OF WORKER ('000)</u>					
Employees	414.3	413.5	403.0	0.8	11.3
Public Sector	129.9	128.8	122.6	1.1	7.3
Private Sector	284.4	284.7	280.5	-0.3	3.9
Self-Employed	91.6	91.0	94.9	0.6	-3.3

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 4

CANADIAN AND PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

	November <u>2007</u>	October <u>2007</u>	November <u>2006</u>	Change from <u>Last Month</u>	Change from <u>Last Year</u>
<u>EMPLOYMENT ('000)</u>					
Canada	17,009.9	17,051.9	16,575.5	-42.0	434.4
Newfoundland & Labrador	215.3	219.8	216.1	-4.5	-0.8
Prince Edward Island	66.7	71.5	67.4	-4.8	-0.7
Nova Scotia	448.4	454.0	443.2	-5.6	5.2
New Brunswick	366.8	365.6	350.7	1.2	16.1
Quebec	3,885.4	3,895.1	3,776.0	-9.7	109.4
Ontario	6,656.9	6,681.2	6,518.8	-24.3	138.1
Manitoba	603.9	604.2	586.5	-0.3	17.4
Saskatchewan	505.9	504.5	497.9	1.4	8.0
Alberta	1,962.7	1,971.9	1,909.7	-9.2	53.0
British Columbia	2,297.8	2,283.9	2,209.1	13.9	88.7
<u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u>					
Canada	5.6	5.3	5.9	0.3	-0.3
Newfoundland & Labrador	12.8	12.2	13.3	0.6	-0.5
Prince Edward Island	11.8	7.4	11.4	4.4	0.4
Nova Scotia	7.8	6.7	7.1	1.1	0.7
New Brunswick	6.6	6.9	7.8	-0.3	-1.2
Quebec	7.0	6.3	7.9	0.7	-0.9
Ontario	5.7	5.5	5.9	0.2	-0.2
Manitoba	3.9	3.5	4.3	0.4	-0.4
Saskatchewan	3.7	3.7	3.5	0.0	0.2
Alberta	3.7	3.2	3.2	0.5	0.5
British Columbia	3.9	4.0	4.6	-0.1	-0.7

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 5

SUB-PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS**(3 Month Moving Average)**

	<u>Sept-Nov 2007</u>	<u>Aug-Oct 2007</u>	<u>Sept-Nov 2006</u>	<u>Change from Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
CANADIAN CITIES					
<u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u>					
St. John's	6.0	6.2	6.9	-0.2	-0.9
Halifax	4.5	5.1	4.3	-0.6	0.2
Saint John	4.9	5.4	4.8	-0.5	0.1
Quebec	4.8	4.6	5.0	0.2	-0.2
Montreal	6.7	7.0	7.6	-0.3	-0.9
Ottawa-Gatineau	4.5	5.2	5.5	-0.7	-1.0
Greater Sudbury	5.2	5.7	6.8	-0.5	-1.6
Toronto	6.2	6.7	6.5	-0.5	-0.3
Winnipeg	4.4	4.5	4.4	-0.1	0.0
Regina	4.5	5.0	4.4	-0.5	0.1
Saskatoon	3.1	3.9	2.8	-0.8	0.3
Calgary	3.1	3.1	2.8	0.0	0.3
Edmonton	4.0	4.2	3.4	-0.2	0.6
Vancouver	3.9	4.2	4.0	-0.3	-0.1
Victoria	2.8	3.7	3.9	-0.9	-1.1
SASKATCHEWAN					
<u>ECONOMIC REGIONS</u>					
<u>EMPLOYMENT ('000)</u>					
Regina-Moose Mountain	149.7	148.3	151.4	1.4	-1.7
Swift Current-Moose Jaw	54.8	54.6	54.6	0.2	0.2
Saskatoon-Biggar	166.3	166.2	160.2	0.1	6.1
Yorkton-Melville	42.0	42.3	39.9	-0.3	2.1
Prince Albert & Northern	92.2	93.1	93.4	-0.9	-1.2

Note: All data in this table are three month moving averages, ending in the month specified in the table. For example, the data for July are an average of the three months ending in July (May, June and July)

TABLE 6

SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS BY ABORIGINAL IDENTITY
FOR POPULATION 15 YEARS AND OLDER
(3 Month Moving Average)

	Sept-Nov <u>2007</u>	Aug-Oct <u>2007</u>	Sept-Nov <u>2006</u>	Change from <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<u>TOTAL POPULATION</u>					
Labour Force ('000)	523.1	526.0	517.2	-2.9	5.9
Employed ('000)	504.2	503.7	498.4	0.5	5.8
Unemployed ('000)	18.9	22.4	18.9	-3.5	0.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.6	4.3	3.6	-0.7	0.0
Participation Rate (%)	69.3	69.8	69.3	-0.5	0.0
Employment Rate (%)	66.8	66.8	66.8	0.0	0.0
<u>NON-ABORIGINAL</u>					
Labour Force ('000)	484.8	487.9	480.1	-3.1	4.7
Employed ('000)	469.9	469.9	465.3	0.0	4.6
Unemployed ('000)	14.9	17.9	14.8	-3.0	0.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.1	3.7	3.1	-0.6	0.0
Participation Rate (%)	69.8	70.4	69.9	-0.6	-0.1
Employment Rate (%)	67.6	67.8	67.7	-0.2	-0.1
<u>ABORIGINAL</u>					
Labour Force ('000)	38.3	38.2	37.1	0.1	1.2
Employed ('000)	34.3	33.7	33.0	0.6	1.3
Unemployed ('000)	4.0	4.4	4.1	-0.4	-0.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.5	11.6	11.0	-1.1	-0.5
Participation Rate (%)	63.5	63.5	62.9	0.0	0.6
Employment Rate (%)	56.9	56.1	56.0	0.8	0.9
<u>NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN</u>					
Labour Force ('000)	15.5	15.7	14.2	-0.2	1.3
Employed ('000)	13.3	13.3	12.1	0.0	1.2
Unemployed ('000)	2.2	2.3	2.1	-0.1	0.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	14.1	14.9	14.9	-0.8	-0.8
Participation Rate (%)	56.9	57.6	53.1	-0.7	3.8
Employment Rate (%)	48.9	49.0	45.2	-0.1	3.7
<u>MÉTIS</u>					
Labour Force ('000)	22.7	22.4	22.9	0.3	-0.2
Employed ('000)	20.8	20.3	20.9	0.5	-0.1
Unemployed ('000)	1.8	2.1	2.0	-0.3	-0.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.1	9.3	8.5	-1.2	-0.4
Participation Rate (%)	69.0	68.3	71.2	0.7	-2.2
Employment Rate (%)	63.4	62.0	65.1	1.4	-1.7

Notes:

1. The Labour Force Survey collects data on the Saskatchewan civilian, non-institutional, off-reserve population. Beginning in April 2004, questions were added to the survey allowing for the self-identification of Aboriginal identity for Saskatchewan respondents.
2. The North American Indian and Métis categories are single responses only. 'Other' is omitted due to insufficient responses.
3. All data in this table are three month moving averages, ending in the month specified in the table. For example, the data for July are an average of the three months ending in July (May, June and July)
4. Caution should be used when interpreting results. Small sample sizes can result in large standard errors.

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